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Prothonotary Frank L. Speakman Tuesday took to Dover and delivered to Governor Huhn the certificates of election made out by Chief Justice Lore and Judge Spruance siting as a board of canvass in Superior Court. The certificates of

There is some question as to whether the Levy Court Commissioner to be appointed for the fifth district will be for a one-year or a two-year term. The law on the subject says:

"Should any two or more persons voted for as Levy Court Commissioners in any district receive an equal and the highest number of votes cast at an election, the Superior Court of the State of Delaware, and for New Castle county, sitting as the Board of Canvass in said county, shall certify that fact to the Governor, who shall forthwith select one of said persons to be the Levy Court Commissioner for the term of one year."

By the foregoing it will be seen that Governor Hunn must appoint either Robert McFarlin, Republican, or James V. Morrison, Democrat, to the Levy Court. In this instance he in all human probability will appoint McFarlin.

tion for the term of the appointee in the section of the law quoted. It practically gives the Governor the deciding vote between the two candidates, who were running for a term of four years. Therefore it is extremely likely that McFarlin's commission will be made out for

Another provision of the law provides that vacancies in the Levy Court caused by death, resignation, ineligibility or removal from the district shall be filled by the Governor, until the next general election, when a member shall be elected.

In this instance the failure to elect a member from the fifth district does not create a vacancy. The present Levy court does not terminate until January 1st, but Governor Hunn must appoint a one for the fifth district "forthwith," and there will be no vacancy.

ing in apogee on the 17th, and the celestial equator on the 18th, the probabilities are that a threatening state weather will be prolonged, possibly to the reactionary period central on the 19th and 20th.

ere will be a reactionary swing of the elements back to more general and decided storm conditions. Depressed barometric conditions will appear, the temperature will rise progressively from the west, and autumnal storms of rain and snow will take up their transition march from west to east over the country, all followed by return of rising barometer

The last regular, general storm period in November is from the 24th to 29th, as indicated by the storm diagram, and the last period is covered by the Venus

The increasing force of this Venus period will be severely felt from about Friday the 25th to Monday the 28th. But marked storm conditions will appear about the time of the full moon on the 22d. Upon the whole, we warn our readers of very

These storms will be largely boreal in character, making navigation on the St. Lawrence disagreeable to dangerous, with heavy gale over the whole lake and with general rains over the interior, turning to sleet and snow, with an entirely blizzard possible in western to central parts of the country. In every probability a November cold wave will sweep over much of the country, bringing frosts even into the southern states, during the last days of the month.

THE OLD RELIABLE
ROYAL

CIGARETTES
SMOKING POWER

**BAKING
POWDER**
Absolutely Pure
THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE

CLOSE VOTING IN ST. GEORGES

In St. Georges hundred, which is the Thirteenth Representative district of New Castle county, the election of 1902 resulted in the return of James T. Shallcross, Democrat, for Representative by a plurality of four votes. When Chief Justice Lore and Judge Spruance got through canvassing the returns of the district, this plurality of four for Mr. Shallcross was converted into a plurality of one vote for his Republican opponent, Leonard V. Aspril.

At the election of Tuesday last, the vote for Representative in St. Georges hundred showed a plurality of four votes for Frank J. Pennington over his Republican opponent, Jacob Emerson. Saturday afternoon, when Chief Justice Lore and Judge Spruance completed the canvass of the returns of this district, Mr. Pennington's margin of four votes had been dissipated and the vote was a tie.

The tied vote will necessitate a special election, and it is probable that the candidates for Representative at the special election will be Mr. Pennington and Mr. Emerson, who were the contestants on Tuesday last.

The Democrats of St. Georges hundred should resolve that when this special election is held there shall be no debauchery of the suffrage, such as disgraced the election of Tuesday last, according to reports. Let them form themselves into vigilance committees, and watch the voting so closely that it will be impossible for the votebuyers to prosecute their work without detection. Let them resolve to prosecute every man who attempts to corrupt the suffrage to the slightest extent.

By this means it may be possible to ascertain what the actual, honest political sentiment of St. Georges hundred is.

To people in Middletown, Odessa and Port Penn, who were compelled on November 8th to see the open purchase and debauchery of the young Democratic voters by the men who represented the whiskey element of Democracy, the above from Every Evening would be ridiculous if it were not so serious. The idea of Democrats of St. Georges Hundred attempting to stop vote buying! They can do it at any election. The way to stop a thing is to stop it. If the Democrats are compelled to go into the special election to decide the above contest, without at least several hundred dollars, a large percentage of their voters will refuse to vote. They always have been paid for voting and will not vote without pay. There has not been an election in the memory of any man now living that the Democrats of St. Georges Hundred did not buy votes. For years, no serious attempt was made to purchase the Republicans for the reason that none of the white ones were for sale and the colored ones were not permitted to vote. But of late at every election there is an effort to seduce the colored vote, but so far it has only resulted in Middletown in the purchase one colored man's vote, and that was at the last election.

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McFARLIN APPOINTED

DOVER, Del., Nov. 17th.—Governor Hunn today settled the dispute arising over the Levy Court contest in the Fifth Levy Court district of New Castle county by appointing Robert McFarlin of Farnhurst, to be Levy Court commissioner for New Castle county for a term of four years. The appointment of McFarlin, who was formerly a state senator in the General Assembly here, was no surprise as the governor had only before him the certificates of the Superior Court of New Castle county, showing that Robert McFarlin and John W. Morrison of Newark had each received an equal number of votes for the office of Levy Court Commissioner at the recent general election. The law provides that in such events the governor must appoint one of the contestants in the certified tie. McFarlin was the Republican and Morrison the Democrat. The significance of his appointment today is that it will make the all-important Levy Court of New Castle county Republican instead of Democratic.

ROAD BUILDING BILL

Stewart and Donahoe, who have completed the construction of the Middletown and Odessa highway, Tuesday presented to the Levy Court their bill for \$9,737.50, the remainder of the amount due on the contract price for the road. The bill was referred to the finance committee "to devise some way it can be paid."

The Levy Court is in a predicament overpaying the remainder of the bill. The state's share of the appropriation for building roads in New Castle county has been exhausted, and efforts will be made to secure the unused money appropriated for Kent and Sussex county for use of road building purposes in this county.

Stewart and Donahoe will be paid, however, but it may be some time before they receive their money.

A warrant for \$100 was drawn in favor of W. M. Kinney, engineer-in-charge of the road.

MRS. ROOSEVELT TO SEE FAIR

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 17th.—Mrs. Roosevelt will accompany the President to St. Louis. She was strongly opposed to her husband's acceptance of the invitation, and only yielded on condition that she should accompany him and be included in every part of the entertainment in his honor.

Furthermore, Mrs. Roosevelt intends to take the two younger boys and arrange matters so that they also shall be with her and her father at every step of the journey. She dreads this visit more than anything proposed since her husband became Chief Executive. She has explained exactly how she feels to them in charge of the itinerary and everything will be done to fall in with her plans. The President himself laughs at her fears, but he has promised to follow her advice at every stage of the journey.

The President and Mrs. Roosevelt will spend barely 24 hours at the Fair, but much entertaining will be crowded into this brief period.

ODESSA

Mrs. Sophia Meger spent the past week in Wilmington.

Miss Bertha Stevens was a Wilmington visitor Monday.

Mr. Walter Keen visited friends in Wilmington on Monday.

Miss Mary P. Stevens spent a few days this week in Wilmington.

Mrs. J. K. Williams, of near town, is the guest of relatives in Germantown, Pa.

Miss Len Woodall, of Baltimore, is the guest of her brother, Capt. H. V. Woodall.

Mr. Smyth, of Philadelphia, visited his brother, Dr. H. F. Smyth on Tuesday.

Miss Amelia Muhlbarger returned Tuesday after spending a week in Philadelphia.

Messrs. George W. and Delaware Davis are visiting Sussex County on a gunning trip.

Mrs. Charles Armstrong and son, of Wilmington, are visiting her father, Mr. Elwood Dulin.

Miss Burdette Rose is entertaining her sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Barwick, of Kennedysville, Md.

The Ladies' Aid Society held its regular monthly meeting in the M. E. Church on Wednesday evening.

Miss Viola Cleaver returned home Wednesday after an extended visit with relatives in and near Wilmington.

Misses Martha and Mary Stringfellow and friend, Miss Lillian of Wilmington, spent Sunday with Miss Mary Lightcap.

Mrs. F. W. Curtis and daughters, of Newark, are being entertained at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Corbit.

Mrs. Kate Douglas Wiggins' story of "The Birds Christmas Carol" will be rendered by Miss Mary Lawson Leech, of New York City, in the Town Hall on Tuesday evening, November 22d. The coming of Miss Leech has postponed the drama that was to have been given on Thanksgiving night, but will be given at some future date. In connection with the entertainment a bazaar and festival will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, 22d and 23d. Fancy and useful articles will be on sale. This will afford an opportunity to secure Christmas gifts. All are invited to come. Proceeds for benefit of Epworth League.

GUNNING SEASON OPENS

All Pennsylvania Railroad trains wending the way down into Delaware Monday contained squads of hunters with their guns and dogs for Tuesday the game laws "were out," and hunting and shooting began. From all sections of the State come reports of an abundance of game, birds, cotton-tails and ground game. Non-resident sportsmen are required to procure license to shoot Delaware game, but many cases they readily comply with this provision and even engage local guides to conduct their gunning expeditions, and hire or buy dogs familiar with the runs.

Sportsmen of Delaware, not only those who hold membership in the Delaware Game Protective Association, but those who are desirous of seeing the Delaware peninsula continue and grow as a "hunter's paradise" are agitated over the question of what shall become of the radiant Chinese pheasant. These birds, whose plumage is so beautiful that they can be detected almost in the dark, were introduced and distributed nearly a year ago by the Delaware Game Protective Association. In many instances they have raised successfully coveys of young birds which give propagation of their species.

It is said, however, that no law can be found preventing the gunner in quest of fine game to shoot them down at will. Beside their fine plumage, the pheasants are delicious table birds for the evening lunch or for the sick.

If they can be spared by the hunters for two years, the State will become well stocked with them and there will be lively shooting here for years. If, however, they are killed, it will wipe them out this year and the association can get no more. It therefore seems to be a matter resting entirely with the will of the fellow with gun in hand.

New Castle County's Prosperity

Reports of Charles C. Kurtz and L. Townsend, auditors, show that the finances of the New Castle County Levy Court are in fine condition. During the year \$20,000 in bonds were paid off, leaving a total bonded indebtedness of the county of \$671,000. Disbursement for the year ending June 30th last were \$113,163.47, an increase of \$10,000 compared with the previous year, but in spite of this the tax rate was reduced from 70 to 65 cents on the \$100 of property valuation and there was a balance in bank at the close of the fiscal year of \$135,512.75.

TABULATED ANALYSES OF COMMERCIAL FERTILIZERS, NOV., 1904.

BY DR. T. R. WOLF, STATE CHEMIST.

The valuations are based on the following figures: Ammonia, 14 cents per pound; Available Phosphoric Acid in Mixed Fertilizers 54 cents per pound; In Dissolved S. C. Rock 44 cents per pound; Insoluble Phosphoric Acid in Mixed Fertilizers, 2 cents per pound; In Dissolved S. C. Rock, 1 cent per pound; Phosphoric Acid in Ground Bone, 4 cents per pound; Potash 5 cents per pound.

Name of Fertilizer	Name and Address of Manufacturer	Sampled at	Ammonia Available	Phos. Acid	Insoluble Phos. Acid	Potash	Valuation
Baugh's High Grade Acid Phosphate	Baugh & Sons Co., Baltimore	Seaford	14.70	1.87	1.42	13.60	
Baugh's General Crop Grower	"	"	14.1	8.00	2.46	13.05	
Baugh's Pure Bone Meal	"	"	2.83	8.29	2.35	2.44	19.65
Baugh's Tomato Compound	"	Laurel	2.45	8.16	2.01	2.49	19.13
Baugh's Animal Bone & Potash Comp'd	"	Newark	2.88	8.06	2.11	4.17	21.94
Baugh's High Grade Truck	"	Seaford	6.89	7.20	2.87	5.29	33.65
Baugh's 7 per cent. Potato Cinnam.	"	"	3.00	8.54	1.84	3.80	22.25
Ideal Fish & Potash Fertilizer	A. G. Weber & Bro., Christiansburg, Del.	Christiana	0.35	8.88	1.65	2.11	13.52
Hubbard's Special Mixture	W. W. Hubbard, Chestertown, Md.	Laurel	1.00	10.87	0.58	3.60	18.59
Hubbard's Victor Phosphate	"	"	2.31	7.61	0.96	4.60	19.82
Hubbard's Owl Brand Fertilizer	"	"	0.82	9.05	0.80	3.88	17.92
King of Harvest	Baltimore Fertilizer Co., Baltimore	Harrington	1.90	7.96	1.95	2.77	17.13
Fish & Potash Mixture No. 1	L. E. P. Dennis & Son, Crisfield, Md.	Laurel	2.04	8.47	1.02	1.61	17.41
Klondike Fish & Potash Mixture	"	"	2.69	8.33	2.31	3.28	20.89
Special Truck & Potash Fertilizer	"	"	7.00	1.00	1.00	11.44	
Raisin's Special for Corn & Tomatoes	Raisin-Monumental Co., Baltimore	Towson	1.44	9.51	1.48	3.23	18.31
Raisin's 1 X 1 Fertilizer	"	Selbyville	1.22	8.79	1.71	1.25	15.02
Raisin's Ammoniated Super Phosphate	"	Overbrook	13.00	2.00	12.10		
Pollock's Dissolved S. C. Bone	Pollock Fertilizer Co., Baltimore	"	1.78	9.24	0.92	3.30	14.01
Pollock's Owl Brand Guano	"	"	1.41	8.20	1.45	3.22	15.87
Pollock's Superior Corn & Tomato Fertilizer	"	"	11.12	1.12	1.80	1.49	11.86
Tyger's Soluble Bone & Potash	J. E. Tyger Co., Philadelphia	Smyrna	1.04	6.72	1.15	1.74	12.50
Tyger's Popular Phosphate	"	Harmony	0.65	7.58	1.33	2.21	14.10
Tyger's Golden Harvest	"	Smyrna	1.94	7.87	0.83	4.72	19.14
Tyger's Tomato Fertilizer	"	"	2.19	7.07	1.33	6.27	20.71
Tyger's Potato Manure	"	"	0.81	8.51	1.66	2.89	18.54
Tyger's Bone Phosphate	"	Wilmington	1.26	8.86	5.29	15.30	
Sure Grower	D. B. Martin Co., Baltimore	Georgetown	2.24	10.23	2.14	1.92	20.50
Pollock's Superior Corn & Tomato Fertilizer	"	Newark	14.83	1.94	13.72		
Farmers' Fish Mixture	Farmers & Planters Co., Salisbury, Md.	Delmar	1.16	8.16	1.91	1.16	14.15
B. & F. High Grade Acid Phosphate	Brunfield & Foster, Coloma, Md.	Newark	10.93	0.31	2.72	12.17	
B. & F. Acid Phosphate & Potash	"	"	0.85	8.33	1.57	3.01	15.18
B. & F. Hard Times Ammoniated Phos.	"	"	1.46	7.62	1.03	1.32	15.05
Price's Super Phosphate with Potash	L. M. Price, Smyrna, Del.	Smyrna	1.07	12.25	1.71	2.85	20.02
Price's L. & P. Phosphate	"	"	1.97	10.52	2.58	4.05	22.17
Price's Farmers' Bone Phosphate	"	"	1.17	9.60	0.93	3.07	17.28
Pollock's Crop Grower	Farmers' Preserving Co., Rising Sun, Del.	Rising Sun	2.77	8.42	2.02	4.27	20.14
High Grade Reliable Crop Grower	"	"	1.97	10.52	2.58	4.05	22.17
Rogers' Superior Bone Phosphate	L. C. Rogers, Frederica, Del.	Frederica	1.17	9.60	0.93	3.07	17.28
Baugh's Wheat Fertilizer	Baugh & Sons Co., Baltimore	Newark	2.77	8.42	2.02	4.27	20.14
Scott's Tip Top Bone and Potash	Scott Fertilizer Co., Elkton, Md.	Middletown	1.26	8.86	5.29	15.30	
Non Such Bone Phosphate	Wm. Chandler, Stanton, Del.	Stanton	2.16	8.05	4.21	5.00	21.58
Ammoniated Diss. Bone and Potash	F. W. Tunnell & Co., Philadelphia	Wilmington	1.39	13.89	2.61	4.51	24.71
Keystone Bone Phosphate	S. M. Hess & Bro., Philadelphia	Smyrna	1.16	8.46	1.80	1.27	14.55
B. & F. Ammoniated Bone Phosphate	Brunfield & Foster, Coloma, Md.	Thompson	2.31	12.12	1.13	3.38	18.63
Ammoniated Bone Phosphate	Jas. C. Downard & Co., Coatsville, Pa.	"	1.46	7.89	1.13	1.16	14.34
Special Mixture	"	"	0.83	8.43	6.00	1.73	16.28
Fish, Bone and Potash	M. P. Hubbard & Co., Baltimore	Georgetown	0.62	6.27	1.47	1.79	11.02
Farmers' Old Economy Fertilizer	"	"	1.90		1.89	2.08	14.32
Dissolved Organic Compound	D. B. Martin Co., Baltimore	Towson	1.70	9.39	2.68	2.70	18.65
One-Eight-Four	"	"	1.43	10.40	2.58	3.62	20.09
Claremont Vegetable Grower	"	"	3.37	9.12	1.78	3.88	24.06
Raisin's Special Bone and Potash	Raisin-Monumental Co., Baltimore	"	12.75		1.47	3.32	14.92
Piedmont High Grade S. C. Bone	Piedmont-Mt. Airy Guano Co., Baltimore	Bridgetown	14.49	0.22	13.08		
Piedmont Special Potash Mixture	"	Willow Grove	9.25	0.43	5.56	13.97	
Levering's Harvest Queen	"	Bridgetown	1.43	8.51	0.51	2.07	15.57
A. A. Acid Phosphate	St. Georges, St. Georges	"	1.57	17.77	1.03	14.32	
Reese's Grass and Grain	John Whann & Son, Philadelphia	"	10.49	0.61	2.36	11.92	
Reese's Challenge Crop Grower	American Agri. Chem. Co., New York	"	1.36	8.04	1.04	2.23	15.66
Moro Phillips' Standard Guano	"	Smyrna	1.26	8.48	1.46	4.31	17.75

REGISTER'S ORDER.

REGISTER OF WILLIS OFFICE, NEW CASTLE COUNTY, DEL., NOV. 8, 1901. Upon the application of Horatio W. Pharo, Executor of Mary N. Merritt, late of St. Georges Hundred, said county, deceased, it is ordered and directed by the Register of Wills that the Executor aforesaid give notice of granting of Letters of Testamentary upon the estate of deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such letters in one of the most public places of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the estate of the deceased to present the same or abide by an act of Assembly in such case made and provided; and also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in THE MIDDLETOWN TRANSCRIPT, a newspaper published in Middletown, Del., and to be continued therein two months. Given under the seal of the Register of Wills for said county, at Middletown, in New Castle County, Delaware, the day and year above written.

FRED E. BACH, Register of Wills.

NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary were in due form of law granted unto the undersigned on the second day of November, A. D. 1904, and that all persons having claims against the estate of the said Mary N. Merritt, late of St. Georges Hundred, said county, deceased, are hereby notified to present the same duly attested to the said Executor on or before the second day of January, A. D. 1905, at the office of the Register of Wills for said county, at Middletown, Delaware, or to the undersigned, the day and year above written.

HORATIO W. PHARO, Executor.

Address, Martin B. Harris, Esq., Attorney-at-law, Middletown, Delaware.

SHERIFF'S SALE!

By virtue of a writ of Venditioni Exposita, to me directed, will be exposed to Public Sale, at the National Hotel, Middletown, St. Georges Hundred, New Castle County, State of Delaware,

ON SATURDAY,

NOVEMBER 26, 1904,

At 4 o'clock, P. M.,

The following described Real Estate, viz: All that certain lot, tract or parcel of land, situate upon the south side of Lake street, in Middletown, St. Georges Hundred, New Castle County and State of Delaware, the metes and bounds of which are as follows to wit:

Beginning at a point upon the south side of Lake street forty feet easterly from the south-east corner of said Lake and Cox streets and running with said Lake street and easterly course a distance of eighty feet to a stake a corner for the land of Alfonso F. Stoops, thence with the land of said Stoops a southerly course a distance of one hundred and fifty feet to a stake upon the line of Walker street, thence with said Walker street a westerly course a distance of eighty feet to a stake a corner for the land of John W. Denny, thence with the land of said Denny a northerly course a distance of one hundred and fifty feet to the place of beginning, containing within said metes and bounds twelve thousand square feet of land, be the same more or less.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of John H. Rodney, Jr., J. J. Administrator of James H. Snowden, deceased, and to be sold by

EMMIT F. STIDHAM, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, Wilmington, Del., Nov. 11th, 1904.

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

DOVER, Del., Nov. 17th.—The State Board of Education, in special session here to-day, Governor Hunn presiding, discussed plans to urge before the coming session of the Legislature which will materially improve the entire public school system of the state. James E. Carroll of Dover; Arthur R. Spaid of Brandywine; and John D. Brooks of Milford, were appointed a special committee to present the proposed legislation to the next Senate and House of Representatives.

The members of the committee are the three superintendents of free schools for this state and they will spend much of their time during the legislative session within reach of both houses so that all the legislation proposed may be specially explained to House, Senate and committees. It includes the most modern forms of reaching the children of the common people with the best public instruction of the day.

Prohibition Vote Has Decreased

The Prohibition vote in lower Delaware materially decreased in the recent election. In all the 8,700 votes cast in Kent county there were only 117 Prohibition ballots to come out of the boxes and be tallied in the final count. The Harrington vote, which assumed proportions that were threatening to the politicians, dwindled to 25, while at Lewes, the home of the Prohibition candidate for governor, the vote fell from 47 to 23.

A Few Words With You Please

Perhaps you will see something here that will interest you . . .

THIS WEEK'S CASH SPECIALS

- Pic-nic Hams 9c lb
- Best Mince Meat 12c lb
- Granulated Sugar 5c lb
- 3 Cans Best Tomatoes for 25c
- Whole Grain Rice 5c lb

Have you bought your salt for pork packing yet? If not be sure and get our prices first. We can save you money on it, at

PENNINGTON B'LD'G Occupied by

LEON de VALINGER

Cor. Broad and Main Sts. Middletown, Delaware

Big Values In Men's Overcoats at \$15

A man full of grit won't flinch, no matter how hard the strain—stamina is what keeps a man from falling down.

Oak Hall overcoats at Fifteen Dollars won't weaken anywhere, because they have been tailored with great care. There isn't a bit of chance work about them—they all represent hard, patient, skillful work.

We'll be glad to have them thoroughly tested for style, material and moderation of prices.

Fifteen Dollars—black and oxford frieze overcoats for men who want sterling worth as well as richness—and a great assortment in the new fancy overcoats in mixtures and overplaids for the younger men who want the kind that show unmistakable signs of exclusiveness—these effects are all cut in very small quantities.

Put Fifteen Dollars in an Oak Hall overcoat and you'll be fully satisfied—especially when you compare the value with many overcoats offered elsewhere at \$18 and \$20.

Boys' Overcoats

Fancy stripes, plaids and overplaids. Some beauties in the new double-breasted overcoats: these coats are all full back and very long—and with all the swing of extreme fashion—\$8 to \$12.

Boys' Reefers—too handsome to remain here very long without clever boys to wear them—\$3.50 to \$6.50.

CARFARE TO PHILADELPHIA

If you purchase a certain amount here and show your return ticket, we pay your carfare both ways.

Wanamaker & Brown

OAK HALL,

S. E. Cor. Sixth and Market Sts., Philadelphia.

The Middletown Transcript

Trains Leave Middletown as Follows:

North Bound—7:45, 9:22 and 10:24 a. m.; 1:50, 4:17 and 5:58 p. m.
South Bound—12:25, 3:31, 5:19 and 11:28 a. m.; 4:31, 7:41 and 7:49 p. m.

Main Close as Follows:

Going North—7:30 a. m., 10:05 a. m., 3:50 p. m., 6:45 p. m. and 9:10 p. m.
Going South—8:00 a. m., 4:15 p. m., and 9 p. m.
For Odessa—7:50 a. m., 3:30 p. m., 11:30 a. m., 4:50 p. m.
For Warwick, Cecilton and Earlville 9:20 a. m. and 4:45 p. m.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., NOV. 19, 1904.

Local News.

Trespassers notices printed and for sale at THE TRANSCRIPT OFFICE.

Full line of Fresh Groceries at E. F. INGRAM'S.

Dr. W. E. BARNARD, Surgeon Dentist, office Southeast corner of Main and Scott streets.

Rhode Island Cockerels for sale.—About 20 fine Cockerels at 75 cts., \$1.00 and \$1.50 each.

C. P. COCHRAN, Middletown, Del.

The only way to know that you're getting Good Bread every time is to buy it from us. It's a guarantee of satisfaction.

JONES & BRADLEY.

A full line of 12 ga. smokeless shot gun shells at

S. E. MASSEY'S.

Try our Famous Steaks.

JONES & BRADLEY'S.

After October 1st the library will be open on Tuesdays from 3.30 to 5 o'clock.

P. M., and on Saturdays from 3 to 5 o'clock and 7 to 8.30 o'clock, P. M.

OYSTERS by the Quart at

JONES & BRADLEY'S.

FOR SALE.—A 12 room house with all modern improvements. Southeast corner Green and Church Streets.

Possession given March 25th, 1905. Apply to JOSHUA CLAYTON, Jr., Middletown, Del.

FOR SALE.—40 fine large thoroughbred barred Plymouth Rock Pullets, raised from imported stock. Apply to Mrs. T. L. Green, on the Federal Droll farm, near Brick Mill.

Come and see my latest purchase of Ladies' and Children's hats.

E. F. INGRAM, Middletown Del.

FOR SALE.—Brown Leghorn Cockerels for sale cheap, for a short time only.

T. E. CLAYTON, Mt. Pleasant, Del.

WANTED.—To rent a Farm of about 150 acres on shares. Can give the best of references. Apply to

THIS OFFICE.

Parents who are interested in the education of their sons and daughters should read the catalogue of Goldie College.

The New Century Club's program for Tuesday afternoon, next is: Roll call; Music; "Catherine the Great and her Court," Mrs. W. B. Biggs; "Travels in Russia," Miss Marie Lockwood; Questions; Current Events; Music.

George F. Lee, the local druggist, has recovered from his recent illness, and his many friends and patrons are glad to see him looking so well. He is now open for business at the old stand and will be pleased to have his friends give him a call.

Mr. W. Reese Parker, administrator of the estate of the late Henry C. DeValinger, on Tuesday afternoon, at the Middletown Hotel, offered for sale the two unfinished dwellings on Cochran street. They were sold to Mrs. DeValinger, the widow the price being \$855.00.

In a special race at Curry's Driving Park, Greenwood, Del., November 9th, between Barnett B. and Frank Yoakum, the latter broke the track record held by Bedworth Jr. at 2:14, pacing the first heat in 2:11. The second heat was won by Barnett B. in 2:13, and the third was a dead heat, time 2:13.

At the annual meeting of The Homeopathic Medical Society of Delaware State and Peninsula, Dr. Chas. A. Ritchie of Middletown, was unanimously elected president. These meetings are held at the Clayton House, Wilmington, and are always well attended, several Philadelphia specialists being present to take part in the discussions.

Unclaimed Letters.—The following list of letters remain unclaimed in the post office for the week ending November 10th.

Miss Ella Brown, Miss Tresey Brown, Miss Mabel Burris, Mrs. Liddie Gardner, Miss Annie Gardiner, Mrs. Martha Righ, Mrs. Jennie Taylor, Mrs. Sarah White, I. T. Clayton, James Hamilton, Prof. Charles B. Morris, Charles L. Parsons, Rev. W. H. Walter.

On Wednesday the majority of the trappers in this section set their traps for the first time this season and all report that muskrats are plentiful. The trappers anticipate a most successful season. So numerous are the muskrats around Elmer that they have consumed all the food it sight and have ruined an acre of corn on the farm of Samuel Garrison.

—Salem Suburban.

Should the old adage hold true, persons owning sleighs and sleds, may have a chance to try them. Not for several years has a storm like Sunday's visited this vicinity, and then to be so early in the year. It caught quite a number of our farmers with a great amount of corn and fodder out, and the ones who have their work all done are rejecting for looking over is a rather unpleasant prospect at this time of the year. It is to be hoped that Mr. Weather-man will give us tidings of a warmer wave to come soon.

Martin B. Burris, Esq., Trustee, Tuesday sold at public sale the large dwelling house of Mrs. Catherine F. Cochran, deceased, to Mr. J. B. Messick, the price being \$2320. At the same time and place the valuable farm of the late Richard W. Cochran, situated on the road from Middletown to Odessa, was offered but was withdrawn after a bid of \$75.00 per acre. This is a most desirable and valuable tract, known as the "Home Farm," containing 185 acres of land, with a large brick dwelling and good outbuildings and other improvements.

If newspaper reporters were only mind readers that a magnificent paper they would get out for the people to read. There would not be a wedding, a party, the arrival of a hearse or a funeral, a family row, any political upheavals or visiting friends or any other creature that the ubiquitous reporter would not have duly published in your favorite journal. But as a reporter is not a mind reader suppose you tell him of any good item of news when you see him, and if you don't see him send it in on a postal card or call up 37 on the phone and give it to the editor.

Victor Jones was given a surprise party Tuesday evening by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Jones at their home on Crawford street, the occasion being his seventeenth birthday anniversary. Games of finch, pit and trail were indulged in till a late hour when refreshments were served. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Jones, Miss Ida V. Howell, Miss Mary Gill, Miss Prudence Lewis, Miss Anna Denny, Miss Addie Pennington, Miss Helen Davis, Miss Josephine Cochran, Miss Madeline Pennington, Miss Blanche Kerin, Miss Elizabeth Hopkins, Miss Sabilla Jones, Miss Elsie Jones, Miss Helen Rowe, Miss Jean Metten, Miss Katie Van Sant, Miss Nellie Armstrong, Miss Jeanette Schreits, Miss Ida Armstrong, Elwood Penny, Madeline Elson, Taylor Barnett, Reese Darlington, Ernest Sirman, Harvey and John Voshell.

Have just made 100 Fanlette Wrappers, sizes from 3 to 46.

Mrs. G. W. PETERSON.

At its meeting on Wednesday evening the Christian Endeavor Society of Forest Presbyterian Church elected the following officers for the ensuing six months: President, O. M. Matthews; Vice President, Miss Mary Maxwell; Recording Secretary, Geo. D. Kelley, Jr.; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Mary Rothwell; Treasurer, Mrs. G. B. Pearson. Lookout Committee—Miss Mary Rothwell, Miss Annie Ellison, Miss Myrtle Houston, J. F. Deakney, Dr. G. B. Pearson. Prayer Meeting Committee—Mrs. O. M. Matthews, Miss Martha Heston, Miss Mary Nowland, Miss Susie Ellison, Social Committee—Mrs. Ella Pennington, Miss Viola Ennis, Miss Bernice Metten, Miss May Holten, Miss Bessie Anderson. Sunday School Committee—J. F. Deakney, Mrs. S. E. Lewis, Miss Mary Beaton, William Armstrong, Missionary Committee—Miss Myrtle Houston, Miss Mary Nowland, G. D. Kelley, Jr., Miss Viola Ennis, Miss Elizabeth R. Hall, Miss Annie Ellison.

Ladies Tailor-made Suits from \$7 to \$12.

Good Cloth, and perfect fit.

Mrs. G. W. PETERSON.

Did you know that there is a difference between winter and summer postage stamps? Well, there is. The postoffice department is sending out its winter stamps now. In the cold months the gum on the stamps is a little thinner and softer, while that on those to be used during the summer and in the Southern states is not as easily affected by heat.

The Methodist and Presbyterians of Middletown will hold a union service on Thanksgiving day, and Rev. C. T. Wyatt will preach the sermon in Forest Presbyterian Church.

HORSE SHOEING.—Plain, 75 cents cash. Satisfaction guaranteed.

J. C. GREEN.

Velvet Hats—Our own make. Reduced from \$5 and \$7 to \$2 and \$4. Felt Hats from 50 cents up. Closing out our entire stock of Millinery.

Mrs. G. W. PETERSON.

If anyone noticing a double barrel "Piper Gun," No. 12, with break on left side and a small piece clipped out of stock in the hands of any suspicious person, and will report the same to this office, they will receive a suitable reward.

Some one entered the stable of Mr. George F. Brady Thursday evening and stole one of his driving horses. The local authorities were notified early Friday morning, but at the time of going to press they had not succeeded in locating the animal. The horse is a dark brown, about 15 hands high, and will weigh 900 pounds. Any information as to his whereabouts will be thankfully received by Mr. Brady.

WILLIAM E. EVANS.

William E. Evans, one of Middletown's most prominent citizens, died at the Jefferson Hospital, Philadelphia, at 7.30 o'clock on Saturday morning last, aged 66 years. Mr. Evans had been a great sufferer for some years with internal troubles and twice before had undergone operations at the hospital. He had decided upon a third operation and had been in the institution some ten days before his death. His condition would not permit of the third operation. Mr. Evans was born and raised at Dover, learning the milling business there. Some 23 years since he purchased the Noxon town Mills and farm, which he successfully operated for 20 years, making them one of the most valuable plants in the State. About ten years ago his health failing, he gave up active milling to his son and removed to Middletown, where he has lived a retired life. Three years ago he disposed of all his interest in the mills to his son, William D. Evans, who has carried on the business ever since. Mr. Evans was the eldest of four brothers and one sister. He was twice married, his devoted wife still surviving him. He was a good citizen and a popular man, his friends being the best citizens of our town. Funeral services were held at his late residence, on Crawford street, on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, and were largely attended; interment being made in Forest Cemetery. The pall-bearers were: E. S. Jones, Coach G. Allen, J. C. Alton, J. A. Snydan, W. C. Eliason and Minors Banning.

SASSAFRAS

A snow storm raged here all day Sunday.

Mrs. John Clothier is on an extended visit to her sister in Wilmington.

The hog cholera has become almost an epidemic among our lower Kent farmers.

Turkeys are more plentiful on the Eastern Shore this fall than for several years.

Mr. I. H. Vansant, of Galeta, was the guest of Mr. Frederick Gressart on Wednesday.

Rev. W. Sherwood, of Wilmington, is being entertained this week by Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester.

Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Hodson, of near Massey, are being entertained by their son, Mr. and Mrs. I. Hodson.

Miss Ella Kirkham who has been making an extended visit to her aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Griffith, left on Saturday for Wilmington. After a visit there she will return to her home on the Pacific Coast.

Mr. William H. Spry died at 11 o'clock on Friday night. Although he had been feeble for the past year his death was very unexpected. He leaves a devoted wife and two sons. The funeral services took place from his late home on Tuesday afternoon at 1.30; interment in the M. P. Cemetery, Rev. F. S. Cain assisted by Rev. W. Sherwood, officiating. Mrs. Spry has our heartfelt sympathy.

PERSONALITIES

Rev. C. T. Wyatt was in Philadelphia on Monday.

Mrs. Mary Biggs is the guest of Wilmington friends.

Miss Lottie Blackway is the guest of relatives in Cecilton.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Horn were in Philadelphia yesterday.

Miss Lilye A. Carty was in Wilmington on Wednesday.

Mrs. John B. Spicer was in Wilmington on Wednesday.

Mr. Harry Downey, of Wilmington, was in town Monday.

Mrs. N. Adkins is visiting relatives in Harrington and Farmington.

Miss Estelle Snydan was the guest of friends in Cheswood over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George S. Hopkins were Wilmington visitors on Wednesday.

Mr. A. K. Hopkins, of Cambridge, Md., was in town several days this week.

Mrs. G. Burton Pearson is spending a few days with Philadelphia relatives.

Miss Florie Owens visited relatives in Wilmington several days this week.

Mr. Frank Robinson, of Wilmington, was the guest of friends in town over Sunday.

Misses Mary Beaton and Lillie Downey were guests of relatives in Townsend over Sunday.

Mrs. B. T. Biggs has returned home, after a pleasant visit in New York and Brooklyn.

Mrs. J. B. VanSant, of Philadelphia, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Wilson.

Mrs. James Bradley and daughter Helen were Philadelphia visitors several days this week.

Miss Catharine Pennington, of Wilmington, is the guest of her cousin, Miss Grace H. Parvis.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Reese Parker and little son Alden were guests of her parents in Dover over Sunday.

Clerk of the Orphans' Court Joseph O. Jolls and wife spent several days this week in Providence, R. I.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Smith, of Wilmington were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Price part of this week.

Mr. William B. Wilson and bride have returned from their wedding trip to their home near St. Augustine, Maryland.

Messrs. Charles B. Hildy, of Harrisburg, Pa., and Harry Quigley, of Philadelphia, are guests of friends in town.

Mr. Daniel W. Stevens has accepted a position in Bragdon's Pharmacy, and entered upon his new duties on Monday.

Mrs. Katherine Naudain and daughter, Miss Helen, are visiting her daughter, Mrs. Oscar Goodland, in New York City.

Mr. Edgar Rowe, of Jersey City, was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Rowe, several days during the past week.

Mrs. Clifton Wood and little daughter Bertie, and Mr. Thomas Paxton, of Philadelphia, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Parsons.

Miss Ethel Rowe left Wednesday for Washington, D. C., where she has obtained a position in the Post Office Department.

Miss Nora Armstrong is spending two weeks' vacation in Philadelphia. Miss Blanche Kerin, of Dover, is substituting during her absence.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry P. Shapley and little daughter Helen, of Smyrna, were guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Holten, Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Jennie Jones has returned from Chester, Pa., and having accepted the position of forelady in the shirt factory, entered upon her new duties on Monday.

CHURCH NOTES

Rev. C. T. Wyatt will preach at Snow Hill next Sunday and Rev. Edward N. Cantwell will occupy the pulpit of Bethesda M. E. Church, morning and evening.

Rev. Cantwell is a strong preacher and an author of some note.

Bethesda Epworth League meets in the lecture room of the M. E. Church every Sunday evening at 6.45 o'clock. Everybody is invited to attend. The topic for to-morrow evening is: "Our Thanks to God." Psalms 138:1-8. Leader, Mr. Thomas Pierce.

The Young Peoples Society of Christian Endeavor of Forest Presbyterian Church, meets every Sunday evening at 6.45 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to everybody. The topic for to-morrow evening is: "How to express our thanks to God." Psalms 138:1-8. Leader, Mr. O. M. Matthews.

THE OYSTER SEASON

Oysters are more plentiful this year than last and the catches are heavier, the season has not been any more remunerative. There are several reasons for this state of affairs, chief among which is the fact that the mussels on the oysters in shallow water are so thick that they will not average 3 pecks to the bushel, after they are scraped off. Then again the oysters are in poor condition. It is claimed by some that the mussels feed on that which the oyster would otherwise eat, and this seems quite plausible, in view of the fact that the oysters are so poor that it takes a bushel and a half to stock a gallon, when in former seasons it has only taken one bushel.

The season has been a good one so far as the weather is concerned, but this has been more than offset by the low prices. Buyers are not paying more than 40 or 50 cents a bushel on the rocks while at this time last year they were paying 75 or 80 cents. There are numerous young oysters on the bars, bespeaking a good season next year.

WARWICK

Miss Agnes Crawley who has been quite ill is convalescing.

Preaching at the M. P. Church next Sunday at the usual hour.

Miss St. Francis Xavier R. C. Church next Sunday morning at the usual hour.

Mrs. John Holden has returned home after a ten days' stay in Chesapeake City.

Miss Jessie R. Merritt, of Golt, was entertained at the home of Mrs. William T. Vineyard from Saturday until Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Everett who have been the guests of relatives during the past week have gone to New York City.

Washington Camp, No. 8, P. O. S. of A., meets every Wednesday evening in Merritts hall at 7 o'clock. All members are requested to be present Wednesday evening.

Warwick surely was represented in Middletown during the past week. The streets which were thronged with the Maryland shoppers, would remind one that the holidays were near at hand.

TOWNSEND

D. B. Jones visited Philadelphia Saturday.

Miss May McFaul spent Saturday in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Robert Beardsly was in Wilmington Tuesday.

Miss Daisy Wiggins spent Sunday with Clayton friends.

David Dangle, of Wilmington, visited friends near town this week.

Miss May McFaul entertained her mother from Kent this week.

Sereck Wilson, of Westminster, Md., is home on a gunning expedition.

Miss Anna Sharpless visited her home near Landenberg, Pa., over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Whitehouse, of Wilmington, are spending sometime in town.

Miss Ethelwyn Maloney, of Conference Academy, Dover, spent Sunday at home.

Leroy Hutchinson, of Wilmington, spent several days at home this week gunning.

Mr. and Mrs. George Stant were guests of relatives in Sudlersville several days this week.

Walter Beardsly, of Milton, is spending some time with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Beardsly.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Donovan entertained the Ladies' Aid, of the M. E. Church Tuesday evening.

Mr. John Fisher, of Wilmington, visited his sister Miss Bessie Fisher, who lives near town, over Sunday.

Mrs. Virginia Hutchison entertained a few of her friends in honor of her eighteenth birthday Monday evening last.

The Ladies' Aid of Townsend M. E. Church gave an oyster and poultry supper on Wednesday and Thursday evenings.

Miss Lilly Downey and friend, Marian Beaton, of Middletown, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Daniels over Sunday.

ST. GEORGES

Mrs. H. C. Jacobs is in Philadelphia this week.

J. G. Crossland spent Wednesday in Wilmington.

Mrs. J. R. Milligan was a Wilmington visitor Saturday.

Walter Smith, of Wilmington, was in town on Tuesday.

Miss Edna Lilly has returned from a visit to Wilmington.

Miss Sara Milligan has returned from a visit to Wilmington Monday.

Miss Anna Gogg, of Wilmington, was a guest at the Manse part of last week.

Mrs. William Reynolds and daughter spent part of last week in Wilmington.

C. M. Riley spent Sunday with Clarence Pool and family near McDonough.

Mrs. Alfred Davidson and sons, of near town, were guests of Miss Bryan on Saturday.

Mrs. Laura Jones and son Clarence have been paying a visit to Philadelphia friends.

Charles H. Racine, of Porters, was the guest of James Paynter and family on Monday.

An interesting meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held in their rooms on Saturday evening.

Rev. R. R. Milligan and family entertained Mr. McKee, of Philadelphia, on Saturday.

Mrs. Allen Sparks and daughters are visiting her sister, Mrs. John Boehm, in Middletown.

John Young and family, of Philadelphia, are paying a visit to J. W. Carrow, Jr., and wife.

Mrs. William Atkins, of Philadelphia, spent several days last week with M. J. Gray and wife.

Mrs. George Swain and daughter Maude are spending a week with relatives in Camden, N. J.

Miss Katharine Swain has been entertaining Miss May Carey, of Wilmington, during the past week.

Rev. Joseph Buckson, of Ellendale, paid a visit to his brother, H. C. Buckson and family, on Friday.

H. C. Clark attended a session of the Grand Lodge, of Delaware, I. O. O. F., held in Wilmington this week.

Mrs. William Haman and daughter, of State Road, were guests of her parents, George Swain and wife, on Friday.

Raymond Jamison, of Wilmington, is spending a two weeks' vacation with his parents, Clarence Jamison and wife.

Mrs. Edgar Swan was called to Philadelphia this week by the death of her sister-in-law, Mrs. William Stapleford.

The young people are arranging for a fine entertainment to be given during the fall for the benefit of the National Lodge No. 32, I. O. O. F. of this town.

H. M. Smith who has had charge of the St. Georges Creamery for sometime, has accepted a position in Chester, Pa., and moved his family to that place on Wednesday.

A musical will be given at the Manse by Mrs. J. R. Milligan and Miss S. A. Milligan on Thanksgiving night. Ice cream and cake will be for sale, proceeds for the class windows in the Sunday School room.

The poultry and oyster supper held in Old Fellow's Hall on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings by the ladies of the M. E. Church was well patronized, the net proceeds amounting to \$93.00, which will be used for the current expenses of the Church.

An old-fashioned singing class will be organized in St. Georges Presbyterian Church on Friday evening, December 2d, with Prof. Jacob Clymer of Wilmington, well known in musical circles, as director. A silver offering will be taken at the door.

May Blind Powder Magazine

Alfred duPont, of Wilmington, while gunning in Virginia Thursday was struck in one of the eyes by a spent bullet and it is feared he will lose his sight. Mr. duPont is Vice-President of the duPont Powder Company. He was gunning on the Montpelier property of William duPont.

The bullet, fired by one of Mr. duPont's companions, hit a tree and rebounded, striking Mr. duPont in the eye. He was taken to Philadelphia for treatment.

CECILTON

Mr. James H. Smith is visiting in Baltimore.

Mr. George Morgan spent Tuesday in Wilmington.

Mr. C. L. Luby is visiting relatives in Wilmington.

Mr. William Jones and wife are spending this week in Philadelphia.

Rev. William F. Dawson spent Monday with Mr. Harry Clark, ducking.

Misses Cora Anderson and Desdemona Boulden spent Saturday in Philadelphia.

Rev. Elmer Jones, of New York, is visiting his parents, Mr. Daniel Jones and wife.

Mr. Charles Manlove, of Atlantic City, is visiting his brother, Joseph Manlove, near town.

Miss Liddie Willikan has returned from visiting relatives in Wilmington and Philadelphia.

Mr. Edward Pearce and wife, of Philadelphia, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bennett.

Mrs. R. Blackway and son returned home after spending several days last week in Baltimore.

The funeral of Mr. Cruikshank, of Philadelphia, formerly of this place was held at St. Stephens Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Mary Smith has returned after spending sometime with her sister, Mrs. Joseph Atwell, of Betterton.

Miss Blanche Van Buskirk has returned to her home in Baltimore after visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Morris.

CURRENT PRICES

MIDDLETOWN GRAIN MARKET.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY JOHN W. JOLLS.

Wheat—No. 1 \$1.10 | Corn—

No. 2 1.07 | Yellow, shelled 50

Timothy Seed \$2.65 | " cob 41

Clover Seed 10c | Oats 54

MIDDLETOWN PRODUCE MARKET

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY W. T. CONNELLER.

Eggs, per doz. 28c-30

Country Butter, per lb. 25c-28

Creamery Butter, per lb. 33

Lard, per lb. 8c-10

Live Chickens per lb. 12c

A DAY OF SURPRISES

BY MARY MORRISON

There was a suspicion of crispness in the air which crept in around the window casing, and Polly Barstow drew her shawl closer to her shoulders and nestled down into the pillows in the old wooden rocker, which had been drawn up to the tiny front window, where she could watch the passerby. It diverted her mind from the cuney wooden crutches beside her, which she had regarded with shrinking aversion ever since she came from the hospital. They seemed to proclaim aloud the fact that henceforth she was to be only a helpless cripple.

The fire was getting low, but Ethan would be along presently. He always shut up the store at six o'clock, and it was half-past five now. A flock of rustling dry leaves fluttered down the path from under the maple by the gate, and she watched them with a vague sense of loss. They were a vivid green when she was taken to the hospital. Since then they had changed to yellow, and drifted in golden showers to the little grass plot. Now they were dull brown, and struck her with a sense of untidiness as they hurried hither and thither before the November wind. Ethan had no time to take them up; besides, she had always done such little jobs as this herself. He had probably never even thought of it.

She moved uneasily in her chair and peered farther down the street. A sudden brightness lighted up her face at sight of the stooped gray-haired man just coming into sight.

He looked in at the window and smiled while yet his stiff fingers fumbled at the gate-latch.

"He's always glad to get home, Ethan is, though he knows he'll have to get his own supper and tidy up afterwards. Most men would be all out of sorts with taking care of me and all, but Ethan ain't!" Polly often spoke her thoughts aloud—they were company for her.

He came in, briskly rubbing his hands. "It's a little bit wintry to-night. I wouldn't wonder if we had snow for Thanksgiving," he said, going up to the little stove. "Why, the fire is all out. Have you been cold, Polly?" There was real concern in his voice.

"Not to speak of Ethan, I couldn't, among all these pillows. How is business?" Polly always asked this question.

Sometimes Ethan answered her readily; sometimes he evaded it. To-night he was stirring the fire, and his face was in the shadow, but his voice sounded cheerful. "It's perkin' up some, I think, Polly," he said.

"Does the Barkers and the Soveres trade there yet? You know they had just commenced when I got hurt?" The old man shook his head. "No, I can't remember as they have bought anything of me lately, but I've got some new customers."

Polly looked disappointed. "I was in hopes we could manage to keep them; they are such solid folks. A body ain't never afraid of their asking to have anything charged."

"I get cash nowadays, Polly—I ain't kept no book account for quite a spell," he told her.

"You don't say, Ethan. I didn't suppose you could ever pluck up courage enough to say no when a body asked for credit; you've always been so lenient with folks. I s'pose you've had to steer pretty close to the wind since I've been sick. It has been an awful expense, Ethan. I've wondered time and again how you've stood it as ever, though."

"I ain't no cause to complain, Polly, when I see you looking so well. It was more than I'd dared to hope for, part of the time."

An old-red glow warmed Polly's pallid cheek and shone in her dim eyes. They were lovely yet, despite their sixty years. "It ain't likely I'll ever be able to go back into the store, Ethan, but maybe I can huddle about after a spell and 'tend to the house a little."

"I sha'n't need ye in the store, Polly. I can get along all right alone down there," he said hastily.

She looked at him curiously. Ethan had always depended on her judgment in the store.

He looked up deprecatingly. "It ain't that I don't want you with me, Polly," he hastened to assure her. "I'm getting used to doing it alone, and there ain't no need of you trying to work in two places at once. Take your time about getting well; only just set there by the window where I can see you when I come up the walk of nights. It sort of rests me to see you."

"I'm likely to do considerable setting, I'm afraid, Ethan," she said.

He looked up anxiously. "If you could only make up your mind to try 'em, Polly—the crutches. They'll hold you. I made 'em of the best hickory, and there ain't a brash spot on 'em."

"I know you did, Ethan. You took a master lot of pains and trouble with 'em, but—"

"I know it'll be pretty hard on you at first, but you'll get used to it and you'll gain faster."

She looked up at him piteously. "It would be different if I only had to use 'em for a spell—if I'd ever be able to go without them, but I won't, Ethan. You know I won't. Seems as if I'd rather set here by the window forever," she said hopefully.

The sorrow on his face touched her heart.

"Don't take it so hard, Ethan. I'll try 'em, I surely will. After all, I ought to be glad I can try 'em. Supposing it had been my back, like that Sanders boy. He's got to lie there as long as he lives—in and day out. I am glad, Ethan, and I'm going to begin with 'em just as soon as I get a little stronger."

His face brightened. "I'll help you with them soon as I get a little time, Polly," he told her, but Polly made her mind not to wait for Ethan. He couldn't leave the store before Thanksgiving, and Polly had plans. They had come to her suddenly.

She began to put them into execution the next morning as soon as Ethan had

knew. Poor Ethan!

She turned slowly about and hobbled back to the little house on Locust Alley. Ethan would be coming presently, and she must be waiting for him.

When she reached home she caught a glimpse of herself in the long mirror which hung in the hall. With a start she realized that she had on her old black wrapper—the one she had worn all the fall, and Ethan detested wrappers.

Suddenly she thought of her wedding gown, which in spite of the tradition in reference to the necessity of wearing it out, she had kept carefully folded in tissue paper, in a lavender-scented chest. It was not an easy matter to dress alone, but she finally succeeded in getting into it, although it was a trifle snug in several places.

When Ethan came she was standing in the door to meet him in the beautiful gray gown he loved so well. A soft white film was crossed in front, and fastened with one of her scarlet gossamer.

"Why, Polly!" he gasped in glad surprise. Then he looked at the little table.

"Why, Polly?" he said again. This time there was a suspicious tremble in his voice. It looked so homelike, so like Polly's Thanksgiving dinners always had. He did not miss anything. The turkey was browned just right; it seemed larger than it did when he bought it. Certainly it was large enough for two, and the mince pie—he could detect the familiar fragrance of Polly's boiled cider. It was no longer "ready-made" pie.

They sat down and looked at each other. In their eyes were depths of devotion which neither had sounded; satisfying, enduring. After all, they still had each other. It was Polly who broke the silence.

"How was business to-day, Ethan?" she asked, and Ethan answered bravely: "Better than ever, Polly."

THE CHRISTMAS DELINEATOR

The December Delineator, with its message of good cheer and helpfulness, will be welcomed in every home. The fashion pages are unusually attractive, illustrating and describing the very latest modes in a way to make their construction during the busy festive season a pleasure instead of a task, and the literary and pictorial features are of rare excellence. A selection of Love Songs from the Wagner Operas, rendered into English by Richard de Gallienne and beautifully illustrated in colors by J. C. Leyendecker, occupies a prominent place, and a chapter in the Composers' series, relating the Romance of Wagner and Cosima, is an interesting supplement to the lyrics. A very clever paper entitled "The Court Circles of the Republic," describes some unique phases of Washington social life as from an unnamed contributor, who is said to write from the inner circles of society. There are short stories from the pens of F. Hopkinson Smith, Robert Grant, Albert Brown, Mary Stewart Cutting and Elmore Elliott Peake, and such interesting writers as Julia Magruder, L. Frank Baum, and Grace MacGowan Cooke hold the attention of the children. Many Christmas suggestions are given in needlework and the Cookery pages are replete with the Christmas feast. In addition, there are the regular departments of the magazine, with many special articles on topics relating to woman's interests within and without the home.

VERY CURIOUS RING

A Quaker City society maiden is very proud of a ring the like of which is probably not to be found in this country. It descended to her from her grandmother and was the workmanship of a famous Parisian jeweler.

As worn it forms a fourfold coil around the finger of its fair owner, terminating in the usual looking emerald. It is, however, provided with an infinitesimal number of tiny joints, invisible except upon the very closest examination, but permitting the snake to be drawn out in a spiral several inches long. Although it has been in the family over fifty years, these delicate springs have not once been out of order, luckily, since it would require extraordinary skill to repair and make them as good as when fresh from the clever artist jeweler. Both for its value and as a curiosity the ring has been very carefully handled and treasured.

KENT TEACHERS' INSTITUTE

DOVER, DEL., Nov. 14th.—Within a fortnight over 200 teachers of lower Delaware, including some of Delaware's prettiest young women, will assemble here for the annual teachers' institute, which will be conducted for three days and nights in Dover's new Opera House.

Professor James E. Carroll, superintendent of free public schools has provided a course of select evening entertainments. The day instructors will include Dr. Brumbaugh of the University of Pennsylvania; Professor Francis D. Greene of West Chester State Normal School; Dr. F. S. Schmucker of West Chester; and Dr. George W. Hall of the Millersville Normal School.

The institute will convene on Wednesday, November 30th.

BITTEN BY RABBIT DOG

SEAFORD, DEL., Nov. 12th.—(Hattie Byrd and Ethel Guthrie, two young girls of Seaford, were recently bitten today by a rabid dog while crossing the bridge between Blad's and Seaford.

The dog attacked them and terribly lacerated the legs of both. They were carried to the office of Dr. Carter who cauterized the wounds.

A crowd soon collected armed with shot guns and clubs and chased the dog about a mile when it suddenly turned on its pursuers and tore the lower part of one man's trousers nearly off, though the dog did not break the skin.

The dog was then shot by Wilbur Harley one of the pursuers.

SONS OF DELAWARE

The Sons of Delaware will hold their anniversary exercises at the Bellevue-Stratford in Philadelphia on the evening of December 7th. The toasts will be as follows:

"The United States in the Family of Nations," by the Hon. George Gray.

"Home Influences," Rev. J. D. C. Hanna.

"The Statesmen of the Republic," Deputy Attorney-General Robert H. Richards.

"The Country Boy in the City," by a prominent speaker.

The affair is in the hands of a large committee with Richard Fisher as chairman.

A THANKSGIVING WISH

BY FRANK WALCOTT HUTT

Just for a little to lay aside Struggle and stress, and the moil of years;

Just to drift home on a quiet tide, Out of the eddying whirl of fears— Just for a taste of the sweets of yore— Home for a holiday; home, once more.

Just to give thanks in the old-time way. There, in the grace of Thanksgiving Day, Yearneth my heart for the "naught in vain."

Just for a glimpse of the friendly land, Just for a grasp of the kindly hand.

Just to look in, for a little while, Where there's a respite from heedless days;

Just to go home, and to reconcile Runaway hearts with the old-time ways;

Just to say, "Father, I thank Thee"—then Back to the toil and the strife of men.

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This great stock medicine is a money saver for stock raisers. It is a medicine, not a cheap food or condition powder. Though put up in coarser form than Theodor's Black-Draught, renowned for the cure of the digestion troubles of persons, it has the same quality of invigorating digestion, stirring up the torpid liver and loosening the constipated bowels for all stock and poultry. It is carefully prepared and its action is so healthful that stock grow and thrive with an occasional dose in their food. It cures hog cholera and makes hogs grow fat. It cures chicken cholera and roup and makes hens lay. It cures constipation, distemper and colds in horses, murrain in cattle, and makes draught animals do more work for the feed consumed. It gives animals and fowls of all kinds new life. Every farmer and raiser should certainly give it a trial.

It costs 25c a can and saves ten times its price in profit.

PITTSBURG, PA., March 25, 1904.

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